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## JAPANESE CONSUL-GENERAL AT HONGKONG.

### Secretary from London Embassy Appointed.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 27.

Mr. Teiji Tsubokami, Second Secretary at the Japanese Embassy, has been appointed Consul-General at Hongkong.

## EXPLOITATION OF DUTCH OILFIELDS.

### Batavian Company not Controlled by British Government.

The Hague, April 28.

The debate on the Djambi Oilfields Bill was resumed in the Second Chamber. The Minister for the Colonies, M. Graaff, contended that a contract was necessary with the Batavian Oil Company, because the latter's long-standing negotiations with the Government and its exploitation of the Palembang oilfields would be prejudicial to the interests of the Indies if concessions were given to another firm for a portion of the fields. It would be time to consider such concessions later if the partial exploitation of Djambi was favourable. M. Graaff disagreed with the statement that the British Government controlled the Batavian Company, and declared that there was no reason to fear trouble with America if the Batavian Company permitted exploitation. The United States were anxious to increase their oil possessions, but the Government of the Indies could regulate the Djambi output, and thus prevent international disputes. The speaker opposed the motion of M. Van Ravestyn aiming at delaying exploitation until the native population obtained complete autonomy.

## THE GERMAN PROPOSALS.

### "Absolutely Unacceptable" Reported to be French View.

Paris, April 27.

It is stated in American circles that France has informed her Ambassador at Washington that the German proposals are absolutely unacceptable.

### The Allied Decision.

Paris, April 28.

It is officially stated that the Reparations Commission has unanimously decided to fix the total reparations payable by Germany at 132 billions of Gold marks.

The amount fixed is due under Art. 232, sec. II, also Annexure I, Part 8, of the Treaty. The figure has been arrived at after making deductions under Art. 238, but the amount does not include sums due by Germany under sec. III, Art. 232, to meet the amounts borrowed by Belgium before November 11, 1918 (Armistice Day).

## THE COAL STRIKE.

### Outlook More Hopeful as Result of Government Offer.

London, April 27.

The coal outlook is more hopeful. Sir Robert Horne, conferring with the miners this morning, suggested the amount of Government help, which would mean a uniform reduction of wages of 3s. daily. A member of the Miners' Executive said afterwards that they were prepared to accept a national reduction of 2s., but believed that a compromise was inevitable. The conference of the miners with Sir Robert Horne this afternoon was adjourned till to-morrow morning.

## JAPAN'S FIRST BRITISH-BUILT AIRSHIP.

### Highly Successful Trial.

London, April 28.

The first airship built in Great Britain for the Japanese Government was successfully launched at Barrow-in-Furness. It belongs to the sea-scout class, and behaved splendidly in the trial flight. Several Japanese officers were aboard.

## MR. WHITLEY UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED SPEAKER.

London, April 27.

The Right Hon. J. H. Whitley, the Deputy Speaker, has been unanimously elected Speaker of the House of Commons in succession to the Right Hon. James W. Lowther.

## AMERICAN MARINE ENGINEERS.

### Efforts to Avert Strike.

Washington, April 27.

Shipowners are endeavouring to avert a strike of marine engineers on May 1. Admiral Benson declared that a wages reduction of at least 15 per cent. is justified, owing to the great decline of ocean freights.

## PLAQUE AT ALEXANDRIA WELL UNDER CONTROL.

Alexandria, April 27.

There have been no further cases of plague, which is well under control. There have been few cases altogether, the number mentioned in the message of the 21st inst. being due to a telegraphic mistake.

## TRADE CONDITIONS IN THE STRAITS.

### Unprecedented Excess of Imports.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

Singapore, April 27.

At the annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Gibbons said the returns for 1919-20 largely explained Malay's tightness of money, from which they were severely suffering. The excess of exports in 1919 was \$190,000,000, but for 1920 there was an unprecedented excess of imports of \$150,000,000, due to heavy arrival of goods bought at inflated prices, in conjunction with decreased produce shipments and the slump in prices. There was still no clear sign of imminent recovery. Perhaps good would come out of evil, teaching them to run their businesses more economically and on a sounder basis.

## F.M.S. FINANCES.

### A Loan from Straits Settlements.

Singapore, April 27.

The Legislative Council has passed a Loan Bill to raise \$20,000,000 to re-loan to the Malay States for five years at seven per cent., ranking as a trustee security of the colony.

Mr. Perkins criticised the Bill as impairing future borrowing powers, and, if unsuccessful, impairing credit.

Mr. Nutt said the Loan was necessitated by the Malay States' Loan of £4,000,000 to Siam for forty years at four per cent. in 1909, to be paid from revenue for the purposes of railway construction and linking up the Malayan system. He contended that the Imperial Government would take over the Loan and reimburse the Malay States.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### GERMANY'S NEW OFFER.

London, April 27.

The press comments on the new German offer dwell on its vagueness. The "Times" opines that its adoption by the Allies in its present form is out of the question. The "Daily Chronicle" thinks the offer much less impossible than its predecessor. The "Daily News" opines that the American Government is not likely to dismiss the terms as undiscussible and though Germany, perhaps, ought and can be constrained to do better the offer incomparably exceeds anything that France could extract by invading the Ruhr region. Paris semi-officially declares that the offer is quite unacceptable and entirely inadequate. American opinion is divided. While the New York Tribune characterises the offer as only the London offer in another guise and a bungling attempt to wreck the Peace Treaty, the "New York World" opines that the offer deserves the most thorough consideration. The "New York Times" declares that stripped of its conditions the offer would almost certainly be seriously considered by the Allies.

British Government's Reserved Attitude to German Offer.

It is authoritatively stated that the attitude of the British Government as regards the new German Note is one of complete reserve. Nothing hitherto has been heard from Washington, but proposals published in Berlin are ambiguous as regards securities. Steps will be taken to obtain explanations in regard to them, especially as regards the term of years wherein the annuities are payable.

## THE COAL CRISIS.

London, April 27.

The Union of Railwaymen's Executive decided that the embargo on the handling of coal mentioned on April 25 does not apply to coal for hospitals and public utility purposes of household use, but coal intended for commercial purposes. It was decided to use the whole of the force of the Union to secure unconditional reinstatement of the men suspended at Nottingham mentioned on April 26.

The sailing of the Narkunda has been postponed until 6th May owing to coaling difficulties. It is understood the Delta will deliver the Narkunda's Indian mail at Bombay and thereafter proceed to the Far East.

## DUTCH EAST INDIES OIL.

The Hague, April 27.

The Standard Oil Company's request for an opportunity to participate in the exploitation of the Djambi oilfields proposes the formation of a company with the Dutch Government, conforming to the laws of the Dutch East Indies, and to which half the Djambi oilfields would be allotted on the basis of the Bill now before the Chamber, which proposes to entrust the whole of the oilfields to the Royal Dutch group, with participation of the Government. It is understood that M. Demuralt will move in the Second Chamber that part of the oilfields be given to the Vander Khooven combine of Holland, and the Standard Oil.

## THE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Havana, April 27.

Despite Lasker's desire to resign owing to illness, the committee is endeavouring to persuade Lasker to finish the series.

## THE CAIRO CRISIS.

Cairo, April 27.

A new political situation fraught with the most serious difficulties has arisen, owing to Zagloul Pasha challenging the Ministry by demanding the abolition of martial law and the censorship and that the leadership of the delegation to London be placed in his hands. Zagloul Pasha, in a speech on April 25th, asserted that his collaboration with Adly Pasha, the Prime Minister, depended on the latter's acceptance of Zagloul Pasha's conditions. The resignation of the Ministry may possibly be imminent, which would involve the negotiations with Great Britain.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

### To-Day's Meeting.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber to-day. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C. M. G.) presided and there were also present:

H. E. the General Officer Commanding, Major Gen. Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Colonial Secretary.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Attorney General.

The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Director of Public Works.

The Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer, O.B.E., Colonial Treasurer.

The Hon. Mr. S. C. B. Ross, O.B.E., Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chau Pak.

Mr. S. B. B. McDermott, Clerk of Council.

Hon. Mr. Chau Sin-ki, who takes the place of Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, who is on leave, took the oath.

### THE STAMP BILL.

The only business before the Council, apart from the formal presentation of the report of the Finance Committee, was the continued consideration of the Stamp Bill, which the Council was passing in Committee when the adjournment was made on Monday. In the meantime the various clauses left over until to-day have been considered and when the Bill came on.

The Hon. Attorney General suggested that paragraph "f" in sub-clause 19 of clause 3 relating to marketable securities issued in the Colony, be omitted. It was proposed to give marketable securities a separate heading which would also be inserted in the schedule.

The Hon. Attorney General's suggestion was agreed to.

Referring to sub-clause 5, the Hon. Attorney General submitted a draft in which the sub-clause was divided into two. Sub-clause 5 now dealt with civil liabilities and sub-clause 6 with criminal liabilities.

The new sub-clauses were agreed to.

Suggesting amendments to clause 6 (non-admissibility of unstamped instruments) the Hon. Attorney General explained that stamp duty was a civil debt due to the collector but as the clause was drafted the collector could never obtain stamp duty because he could not produce in evidence the unstamped document which was proof of the failure.

The amended draft was approved.

An amended draft to sub-clause 3, of clause 16, stamping by special leave, giving right of appeal from the decision of the collector to the Governor in Council on any point, was agreed to.

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aid firm, who is wilfully a party to the default, and the person appearing to have the management of the said firm within the Colony, shall be deemed to commit an offence against this Ordinance.

The clause, the Hon. Attorney General explained, had been divided into two parts, the first dealing with companies and other corporate bodies and the other with firms.

The general idea of the two clauses was to make the Company in the one case and the manager in the other responsible for failure to stamp. The amended clause was accepted.

The following additional clause was submitted:

This Ordinance shall come into operation on the 1st day of May, 1921.

His Excellency the Governor said it was the intention to take the third reading of the Bill on Saturday. It would be gazetted and come into force on May 1st.

Hon. Mr. Pollock: Have you any objection to the Bill coming into force on a Sunday?

It was decided to amend the clause in order to read that the Ordinance should come into operation from May 2nd.

The Council proceeded to amend the various headings in the schedule in accordance with the alterations and additions the clauses.

## GERMANS MOCKING BRITAIN.

### Jubilation Over Upper Silesia Plebiscite.

The Press Association Correspondent at Dusseldorf states that following upon the return of the plebiscite in Upper Silesia, the Rhinelanders are insisting that all this province should go to Germany on the ground that it is an economic, political and cultural State. Chauvinists are exalting over Germany's "triumph," which they say was obtained notwithstanding the Polish terror supported by the French authorities.

In so far as the local Press is concerned, Great Britain is becoming more and more an object of mockery. The continuance of the talk in Great Britain regarding the prosecution of German war criminals is derided as a "comedy and farce."

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## BOHEMIANS JOIN CZECHOSLOVAK CHURCH.

The Reichspost, the leading Austrian Catholic organ, learns from Prague that since the break-up of the Monarchy over one million Catholics in Bohemia have left the Church, including eighty thousand at Prague. The majority of the people in the industrial centres do not belong to any religious body, but the peasants in the main have joined the new Czechoslovak Church, which is uniting with the Serbian Orthodox Church. In the German-speaking districts of Bohemia the anti-Catholic movement has met with little success, and 2,500,000 Catholics in Slovakia are almost unaffected by the anticlerical agitation.

It is stated that 171 priests have receded from the Roman Catholic Church. Sixty-one have joined the Czechoslovakian Church.

## NEW STRAITS LOAN.

We are informed by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that they have received a telegram from their Singapore Office that a Straits Settlements Loan 1921 of \$20 millions will be issued on 2nd, May 1-21, bearing interest at 7% p.a., payable half yearly, free of tax other than death duties—Issue price 100% repayable at par on 1st May 1926.

## A LARGE FISH.

### Caught Off Gap Rock.</h3

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SCENE AT THE NATIONAL  
LIBERAL CLUB.

## The Irish Question.

A lively and crowded meeting took place at the National Liberal Club recently to protest against murder and reprisals in Ireland.

Mr. J. M. Robertson was in the chair supported by Sir John Simon, Lord Crewe, Lord Buckmaster, and Sir Donald Maclean. There were 400 members present.

A resolution was before the meeting condemning alike murders and outrages in Ireland and deplored the "condonation by the Prime Minister and other members of the Government of the policy of reprisals," and while it was being read there was considerable opposition, the name of Premier being cheered in several parts of the room.

Major H. E. Crawford referred to the Premier as the "mean and furtive little man who betrays every cause he undertakes." A roar of approval and rival protests greeted this, and the Major could not make the rest of his speech heard.

A member, rising to a point of order, asked if the allegation that the Prime Minister, had "betrayed every cause with which he was associated" was to be permitted from the chair, for the statement was a lie. (Loud cheers and uproar.)

The Chairman declined to recognise the interruption as a point of order.

## VENGEANCE FOR JUSTICE.

Before Sir John Simon spoke there was a cry of "A Home-Rule Bill is on the statute book," and it was met with another of "Go back to Vienna."

By the time Sir John was on his feet the interrupters had mostly exhausted themselves, and he had little trouble in enunciating his plea that, bad and deplorable as murders were, Government reprisals of a systematic character were infinitely worse.

Sir John frankly admitted that we should be miserable, poor-spirited creatures if, when comrades of murdered men indulged in spasmodic looting and hit back in hot blood, we did not understand and sympathise with their feelings.

But there was nothing "spasmodic" about Balbriggan and Trim. (Loud cheers.) To substitute vengeance for justice was not and could never be the policy, he said, of any true Liberal—(cheers) or of any genuine member of the National Liberal Club. (Loud cheers.)

Sir John closed by an appeal to all Liberals to join in a crusade to stop the criminal folly of answering murder with murder.

## ANGRY COALITIONISTS.

When the chairman rose to put the resolution dissociating the National Liberal Club from any acquiescence in the Government's condonation of reprisals, an indignant group of vociferous Coalition M.P.'s demanded to speak on the motion.

The Chairman told them to vote against it, and Col. John Ward, M.P., and Mr. Harry Fildes, M.P., and other Coalitionists yelled.

"Do you call that free speech or free Liberalism?"

"Why don't you hear the other side?"

"Are you afraid to hear the truth?"

The Chairman waved them down, and a forest of hands shot up "for" and less than fifty "against."

## HOLE AND CORNER MEETING.

Col. Ward tried his best from the platform to make himself heard, but nobody but the Press knew that he was telling the Club that he was as good a Liberal as any of them, and was disgusted with a hole-and-corner meeting, in which only one side of the public controversy was permitted to be proclaimed.

While he was shouting the meeting started "God Save the King," and Sir John Simon left amid the uproar.

Subsequently Mr. James MacDonald chairman of the Coalition-Liberal group, presided at a meeting, and the following resolution was passed:

"The Coalition-Liberal members of the National Liberal Club repudiate the resolution of the meeting of members of the Club associating the Prime Minister with the condonation of murders and reprisals, and condemn the utterly ill-Liberal methods of the chairman in refusing to allow a discussion on the official resolution."

THE HEART OF GOOD  
MANAGEMENT.

## Harnessing the Sciences.

Scientific management is nothing but the practical application of many sciences to the solution of a special type of problem. Into practically every business come the exact sciences; economics in its most liberal extension; statistics and the imaginative treatment of figures; psychology in its modern social implications. There comes in as well those descriptive sciences: laws to govern our actions; geography, natural, commercial, and physical.

What we have to seek, therefore, is not the setting up of a science of management, as though it were a thing apart, but the drawing upon all science to enrich our comprehension and knowledge.

And by scientific methods I am not thinking of the scientific management which has been exploited in America, and which is now spreading over here, states Lord Ashfield of Southwell. I am not thinking of merely securing a greater practical efficiency in detail, of getting the greatest results out of the least effort, excellent as all that may be in its proper place.

I am thinking of the way in which problems of management should be tackled, not by trial and error, not by guesswork, not by slow and tentative adjustments, but the knowledge gained from ordered experience.

## WISE BUSINESS STATEMANSHIP.

Business men all over the country are beginning to be alive to the need of thorough training in this knowledge. Twenty years ago the rule of thumb was the standard of management, even as the Chancellor's foot was once the standard of equity in the Courts. The rank and file toiled along in a routine way, knowing little except the task before them, and performing that year in, year out, in a perfunctory way, without change or improvement, except of minor character.

Given right education, this could not continue for healthy unrest must burst into the offices. Such education cannot rob us of our geniuses, and it will lift the rank and file to a more intelligent use of their faculties, and so bring up the work to a higher level of attainment.

Nowadays the opposition of labour to management looms large and threatens at times the co-operation that should hold its place. No one can doubt that labour is making rapid advances. It tries to learn, and it is beginning to understand, through uncertainty. This is all to the good.

But unless management will also make rapid advances it will be hard put to it to maintain its position. It, too, must try to learn. It must understand more thoroughly. Labour problems are not the peculiar problems of a particular industry. They are much broader. They have their roots in political and social aims. Their solution demands an experience of affairs beyond the confines of a single business.

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It is easy to know things, difficult to know men. Given a sound character, it is only by a liberal and extended experience of affairs that an officer can handle successfully those labour problems which bulk so large, and occupy so much of our time.

I do not want to labour the point, but it is essential to good organisation and sound management, as I see it, to widen the practical experience of those who are to succeed us and, we trust, excel us. It is essential to add to an earnest training in the schools a varied practice and a broad outlook in business.

Education is never done. It is not once or twice that we need provocation of an altered post, a new position. It is all our life long, if we are seeking to come out to the top and be a leader.

Teaching by doing is the key to success. The crucial point is to continue the education long enough to turn out a great man, stirring the mind to conquer ever new fields of endeavour. Our duty is to see to it that there is that environment in business which will bring out

the best that is in the servants of business.

If we would fit in our thoughts the idea which is literally true, that business is our university, it would transform the way in which we, who now shoulder the responsibility, look at business on the one hand, and would transform the outlook and treatment of the rising staff who will one day take our places, on the other hand.

It is the duty of those experienced in affairs to set down the fruits of their experience. They have shared in knowledge laboriously won in the past. They must add to the store of knowledge something out of the present. Their achievements and their disappointments must have helped to clear up in their minds old principles once learnt, or to suggest new principles from which others may profit.

## TOO TIRED TO SLEEP.

Many people are unable to sleep because they are too tired. They have driven themselves so hard for so long that they are on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Night sounds excite them and silence depresses them. What little sleep they get does not refresh them and each day finds them little weaker than the day before.

The first thing to realize in seeking relief from insomnia is that it is not a disease but a symptom. Narcotics will produce sleep but they will not remove the cause of sleeplessness. If the victim of insomnia is pale and anaemic, weak and tired, losing weight and strength, and indigestion, it is reasonably certain that the cause of the trouble is thin blood. The problem then is to find a blood-builder that is non-alcoholic, free from habit-forming drugs and is of proved

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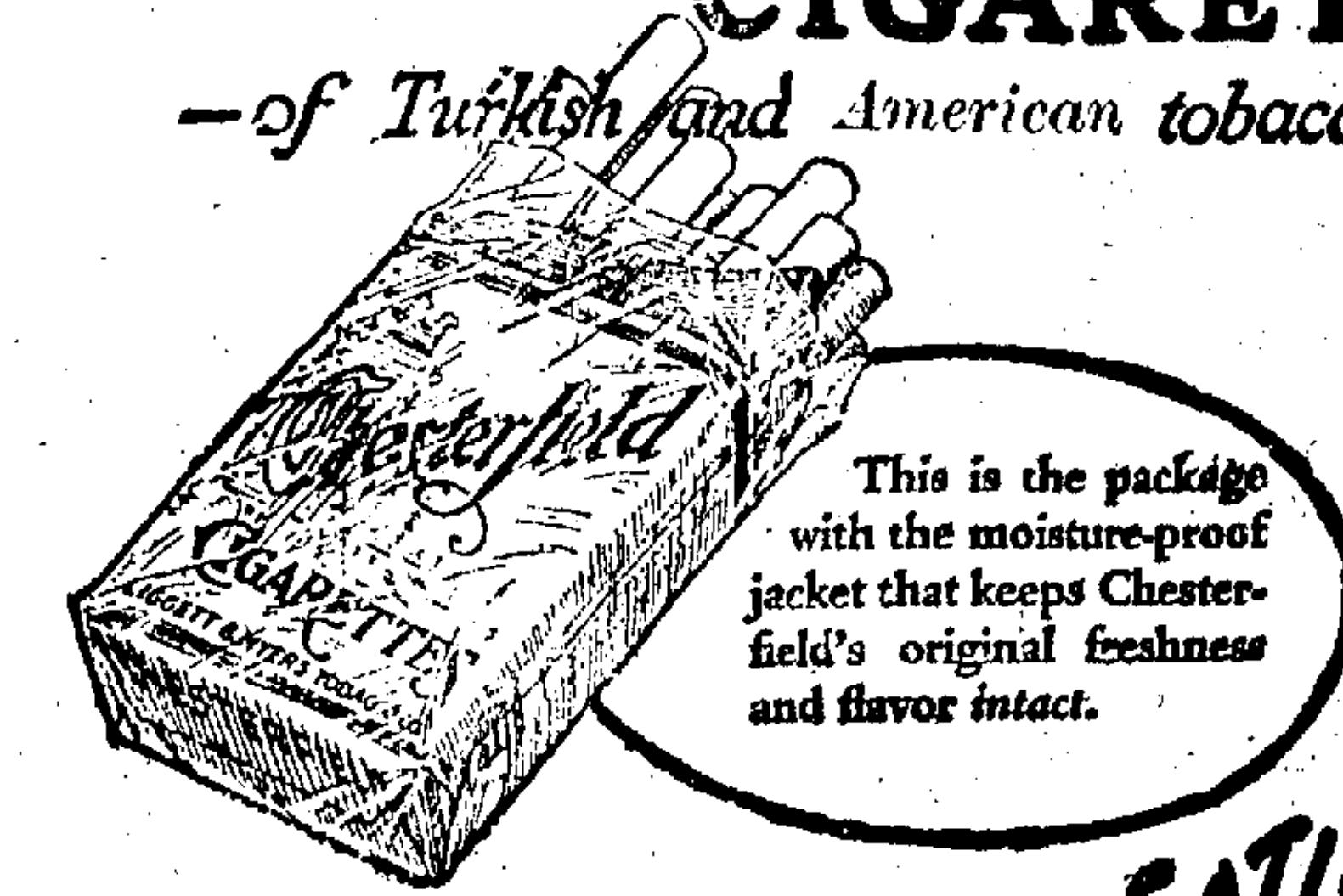
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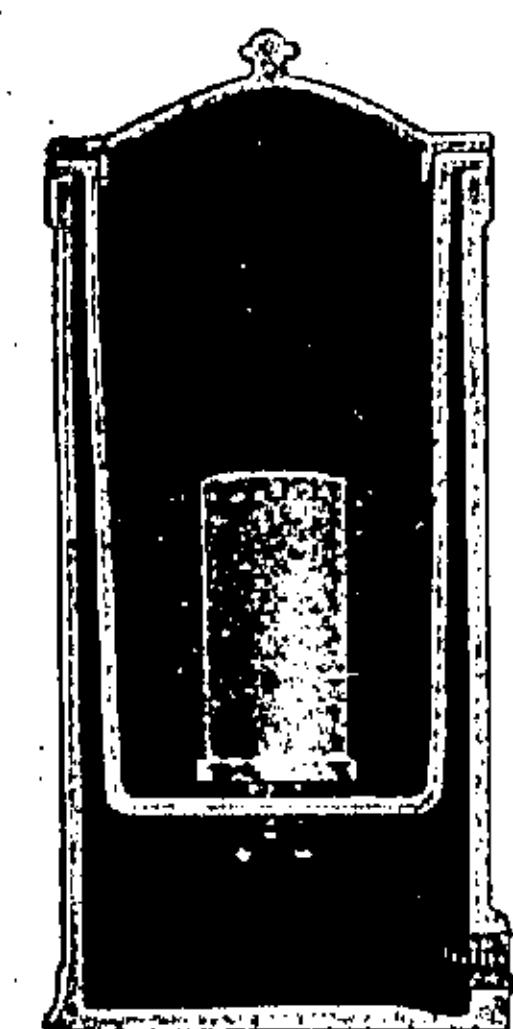
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## POWERS OF MILITARY COURTS IN IRELAND.

## Judgment in an Important Test Case.

Judgment was given in the Dublin Law Courts recently upon the important test case involving the whole powers of the Military Courts in Ireland.

The judgment arose out of the application made in the case of John Allen, of Bank Place, Tipperary, who was sentenced to death by the Military Court for being in possession of a revolver and ammunition, and a document dealing with the subject of midnight fighting.

The application was directed to annul the proceedings of the Military Court on the ground that they were illegal, beyond jurisdiction, and that the tribunal had no power to impose the capital sentence for the offence with which Allen was charged.

Judgment was delivered by the Lord Chief-Justice, who was accompanied by Judges Gibson, Gordon, Moore, and Samuels.

The Lord Chief-Justice said that though it was the duty of the Court to protect the lives and liberties of subjects, it was none the less their duty not to interfere with officers of the Crown in taking steps which they believed necessary to suppress insurrection.

The application was dealt with under four heads:-

First. — Was there a state of war justifying the application of martial law?

Second. — What were the powers of the Executive Government in dealing with armed insurrection?

Third. — Could a Military Court act having regard to the fact that the Courts of Justice in the area were open?

Fourth. — Could the military impose sentence of death, having regard to the fact that the provisions of the Restoration of Order Act and the Firearms Act of 1920 imposed minor penalties for the same offence.

On all those points the Court found in favour of the Military administration.

The Lord Chief-Justice explained that under martial law the Military Courts were not in strictness Courts at all. The Court of King's Bench could not control the military authorities on the question of any sentence imposed under martial law.

The Court, after giving full consideration to all the points, had come to the conclusion that they had no jurisdiction to interfere with the proceedings or sentences of the Military Court, consequently the application was refused.

## EX-KAISER'S DREAMS.

## Babbling About His Old Plots.

"Comparative Historical Tabulations from 1884 to the Outbreak of War in 1914" is the title of the ex-Kaiser's new book, from which the Dutch Socialist newspaper *Het Volk* publishes extracts of his reactionary political views.

About seven private copies have been printed and presented only to personal friends and relatives.

The first part of the book describes events in Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Britain, France, the United States, Japan, Russia, Turkey, and the Balkan States. This part is intended to support the German official version. It is suggested that under Britain's leadership there had been plots to isolate Germany, and that the demands of Serbia had nothing to do with the war.

The second part contains a "review of things pertaining to 1914." It deals with the "mobilisation of English banks in April 1914" and the "beginning of English mobilisation in June 1914."

The ex-Kaiser declares that Russian mobilisation began on June 15, but says nothing of the German and Austrian mobilisation, and insists on the already well-known German version that the Allied mobilisation made war unavoidable.

"This document (says *Het Volk*) is convincing proof that the ex-Kaiser has other ideas than the number of trees he has felled. In the letter accompanying the book from 'His Majesty Kaiser and King William the Second,' it is stated 'His Majesty does not desire that the 'historical tabulations,' or quotations from it shall appear or be criticised in the Press, although there is no objection to spreading his ideas in friendly circles.'

From this it would appear that the ex-Kaiser still considers

## LABOUR REALISES A MISTAKE.

## Laws of Economics not Changed.

At the annual general meeting of the Institution of Naval Architects at the Royal United Services Institution, London, the Earl of Durham, the retiring president, was presented with an original picture by Gurnard Gribble of the sinking of the German Fleet.

Returning thanks, he said whilst the German Fleet had ceased to exist, the German was as treacherous as ever, and would be to the last.

The Duke of Northumberland was elected president.

In the course of his address he referred to the depression in the shipbuilding trade, due to a variety of causes—impoverished condition of Central Europe, the state of the foreign exchanges, general dislocation of industry.

"There is a very great ferment in the ranks of Labour," he said, "and it is one of the most pressing problems that we have before us. Labour imagined that, as a result of the war, the laws of economics had suddenly undergone a profound change."

"Labour imagined that capital and enterprise could be substituted by a new system, by which all the profits of industry could be distributed amongst the employees. The futility of control by Government Departments has been realised, and Labour is realising the fallacy of the various forms of nationalisation."

"It is a subject of national concern, however, that the lesson can only be learned at the expense of much suffering caused by widespread unemployment."

"Much of the unemployment is due directly to strike and threats of strikes in the coal mining industry, which is the basis of our whole industrial life."

"It is this that has driven away our foreign customers, and which has deprived us temporarily at least of our export trade."

"I am glad to think that it is now being realised by the miners themselves, and there are signs of agreement being reached between employer and employee on the principle that Labour shall share in the profits of the industry. That is the only real foundation on which a lasting settlement can be obtained."

"It can be recognised that labour shall be made a charge on industry, we may look forward with hope to operation, and mutual interest between employer and employee which will remove the perils, social and industrial, confronting the nation to-day." (Hear, hear.)

## BETTING PARTNERSHIPS HELD TO BE LEGAL.

## Lady Club Member and her Losses on the Turf.

An important decision relating to partnerships betting businesses was given by Mr. Justice McCordie last month in an action brought by Messrs. Michael Jeffrey and Co., of Green-street, W. C., against Miss E. C. Bamford, a member of the Empress Club, Doverstreet.

They sought to recover £97 paid to Miss Bamford for bets won on horse races.

His lordship pointed out that plaintiffs would not have brought the action but for the fact that Miss Bamford, while keeping her winnings, refused to pay her losses.

She based her defence on the point that the bookmakers sued as partners, and she contended that a partnership to carry on a betting business was either illegal or impossible in law.

If the Court, said his lordship, recognised a single proprietor of a betting business, he saw no good reason, in public policy, why they should not recognise, as they had done, betting partnership.

He gave judgment for the sum claimed, with costs.

himself William II., surrounded by a Court, and not only still full of his old political ideas, but also trying to propagate them. In other words, he is still a dangerous personality, and in view of the fact that monarchical feeling in Germany recently increased William is the centre of the danger. This latter would be a superfluous statement if we felt that the guarding of both Hohenzollerns was carried out in the most efficient manner possible.

## MAN WHO SAVED US FROM DISASTER.

## Late Lord Moulton's War Services.

Principal A. P. Laurie, Edinburgh, writing to the Scotsman with regard to the death of Lord Moulton, states:-

Lord Moulton has passed away with little notice by the general public, who have never realised the vital part that he played in enabling us to win the war.

I remember well when in the autumn of 1914 the attention of the Board of Trade was devoted to the question of taking advantage of the opportunity to stimulate the chemical industries in this country with a view to successful competition with Germany after the war a Committee was appointed, with Lord Haldane as Chairman and Lord Moulton as Vice-Chairman. None of us realised at that time the appalling condition of unpreparedness on the part of the War Office to meet the modern condition of warfare. We know of our great explosive factories and munitions factories, and imagined that all was well in this direction.

Lord Moulton with characteristic energy, threw himself into the problem of improving our chemical manufactures, and his house at the West End became a small Government Department, run by himself, for developing our chemical industries; but before Christmas had arrived it was evident that the situation, at any rate as far as high explosives were concerned, had dawned upon the Government, and Lord Moulton was rapidly switched off to the question of high explosives. Quickly he gathered round him an expert chemical staff, and in the course of an extraordinarily short time had organised the new manufacture of explosives throughout the country, had transformed existing chemical works, and had built new works which are magnificent examples of the latest and finest construction in chemical plant. During the rapidly expanding demand for munitions, whatever difficulties there might be about guns and shells the supply of high explosives never failed, and every demand was met.

There is probably no other example so extraordinary of a man who, though originally trained in mathematics and pure science, had devoted his whole life to practice in the Courts of Law at Lord Moulton's advanced age becoming suddenly responsible for the creation of a huge new industry and for dealing with practice questions, which were on a scale that might well have appalled one of our great industrial magnates. It was all so quietly done that the country and the Government never seem to have realised how much they owed to his efforts.

The papers speak of his sleeplessness. I well remember how much he suffered from insomnia during the war under the tremendous strain to which he was put and how often the only way in which he could get sleep was by being rushed through the country in an open motor car at some 40 miles an hour. After a couple of hours' sleep under these conditions he would come back again with renewed energy, prepared to work both day and night.

There is no doubt that Lord Moulton was a great man, who did great work for his country, and who saved us from disaster.

## GENERAL NEWS.

## ETON BOYS FILMED AS FIRE FIGHTERS.

A film was taken recently of Eton boys as fire fighters at Eton Fire Station.

## NO SUNDAY CINEMAS FOR ISLE OF MAN.

At Ramsey, Isle of Man, the magistrates refused to grant any licences for Sunday cinemas.

## ETON SCHOLARSHIPS.

The examination for election to foundation scholarships at Eton will be held at the college on May 31 and June 1 and 2.

## CRICKETERS OR JOURNALISTS.

The Committee of the Surrey County Cricket Club has passed the following resolution:—"That the Committee are of opinion that it is very undesirable for Surrey Cricketers—amateur or professional—to write comments or articles in the Press on matches, in which they are engaged, while the matches are in progress. The Surrey captain, P. G. H. Fender, a member of the M. C. C. team to Australia, contributed reports to the Press

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## 127 NATURALISED ALIENS.

A recent issue of the London Gazette contained the names of 127 aliens to whom certificates of naturalisation were granted during February.

An "ex-convict" in egg, is reported to have been naturalised. Waldemar, whose name is not given, was sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment for the murder of his wife.

## AN UNFORTUNATE PHOTOGRAPH.

## Miss Cicely Debenham's Action For Libel.

Miss Cicely Debenham, the well-known musical comedy actress, sought damages for libel from Messrs. D. C. Thomson and Co., Ltd., and Mr. W. F. Anckorn, the London editor of *Thomson's Weekly News* before Mr. Justice Darling and a special jury, in the King's Bench Division yesterday. She complained of the publication of a photo of herself standing by a child, accompanying which were the words:

Starring in "Who's Hooper."

Miss Cicely Debenham, who is playing in "Who's Hooper" at the Adelphi Theatre, with her little daughter Peggy.

Miss Debenham is unmarried, and has never had a child.

Defendants said the picture was intended to be complimentary, and was published unwittingly, and they had since printed an apology for publishing what they now know to be the photo of plaintiff with a friend's child.

Mr. Patrick Hastings, K.C., for Miss Debenham, said, although the defendants had apologised, the jury would be asked to form an opinion whether their apology was intended to be genuine, or whether it was a device resorted to in order to minimise the damages. The libel upon her was of a very serious kind.

As a result of the publication of the photo Miss Debenham received inquiries from different parts of the country as to how she came to have a child, what was the explanation of her having concealed the fact, and whether she was really married or not.

Cross-examined by Mr. Holman Gregory, K. C., for defendants Miss Debenham agreed that it was the practice for actresses to be photographed without paying for it, and the photo would be sold to the newspapers, as was done in this case.

You were only too glad to have it taken because you were getting advertisement out of it? — Yes.

Advertisement is the sun of your professional life — Not quite.

Somewhere near it? — Yes. It was true, said plaintiff, that she had since become engaged to be married to Colonel Henderson, a well-known airmen.

And since the publication of photo you have improved your professional position? You are playing the principal part in "A Little Dutch girl?"

"I have been playing principal parts for a long time," was the reply.

Counsel: Oh, have you? That shows my ignorance.

Mr. Oscar Asche said the photograph conveyed the idea to him that Miss Debenham was unmarried.

The hearing was adjourned.

£500 DAMAGES.

When the case was resumed, Miss Cicely Debenham, musical comedy actress, was awarded £500 damages yesterday against the editor and proprietors of *Thomson's Weekly News*.

Miss Lilian Braithwaite, a member of the Council of the Actors' Association, said she thought the picture was harmful to the plaintiff.

Mr. Justice Darling said he did not think witnesses for the profession could help the jury in this particular profession.

His Lordship added: I think it is in Sergeant Ballantyne's life, or that of Montagu Williams, that he said it would be his professional ruin if somebody said he had been seen walking alone Piccadilly arm in arm with a Bishop. (Laughter)

Mr. Fred Thompson, author of "Who's Hooper?" in collaboration with Sir Arthur Pinner, said that last summer a member of Buck's Club spoke to him about the photographs.

Mr. Hastings: It means a club belonging to a Mr. Buck.

His Lordship: You do not mean that the people who belong to it are described as buck? It is like White's Club, which does not imply that the people are white. (Laughter)

For the defence, Mrs. A. Mann said that she acted as agent to

Miss Compton Collier, who took the photos. Witness sold them to the newspaper, with a "caption" or description written on them.

Miss Bertha Sparks, secretary to Mrs. Mann, said that she prepared the caption which accompanied the photo. The error arose through the wording that was sent to her, which gave her the impression that the child was the plaintiff's.

Mr. George B. Duncan, managing editor of the newspaper, said that they had no animus against the plaintiff. It did not pay newspapers to publish libels.

Mr. Justice Darling, in summing up, said it could not be denied that the publication imputed unchastity, and for that the plaintiff was entitled to damages. The defendants did publish an apology and had said that the mistake was made innocently. The jury must consider was not that to a great extent a redress of the harm done?

On the verdict, judgment was entered for £500 damages, with costs.

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SCOTTISH STUDENTS IN PARIS. The students of Edinburgh University who are at present in Paris studying at Professor Tranier's clinic are to be given a gala soiree by the Association Generale des Etudiants de Paris. A lecture will be given by M. Strowski, the lecturer at the Sorbonne, on the tendency of modern French literature.

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Dr. Macnamara was reviewing "A Year at Montagu House." "The big thought that emerges in my mind," he said, "is the fact that little or nothing is heard of the Ministry of Labour's greatest work. Day by day highly skilled, patient, tactful men bring rare technical knowledge, experience and advice to the settlement of problems threatening industrial dispute and dislocation.

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The Appointments have found situations for 50,000 ex-officers and men. Under the Interruited Apprenticeship Scheme 20,000 young men have completed their apprenticeships, and 24,000 are still serving them under this arrangement.

Over 100,000 grants, totalling some £3,000,000, have been made in order to re-establish ex-service men in civil life. There are 24,500 firms on the Roll of Honour, and the number of disabled men employed by them has increased from 90,000 to 265,000.

"During the last eight months," concluded Dr. Macnamara, "we have walked in the deepening shadows of industrial depression. But the sunshine is beyond, and if we all pull together, we shall pull through all right."

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1. That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Company to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinances under which the Company is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the capital of the Company being from time to time increased from 20 millions of dollars the present authorised capital of the Company to 50 millions of dollars.

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Shareholders on the Eastern Registers to pay for their allotments at the rate of exchange for the Company's demand Bills on London on the day on which the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the first instance, in such manner as the Directors shall prescribe for that purpose, offered to shareholders in the proportion of one New Share for every three shares of which on the 28th day of May, 1921, Shareholders shall respectively be the registered Holders, and that any New Shares not accepted by Shareholders within the time limited by the Directors for that purpose be disposed of and allotted by the Directors in such manner and at such price as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.

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8. That interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum be charged on each instalment not punctually paid, and be paid with each such instalment.

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Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on May 3rd by the Co's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claim will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after May 4th 1921, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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## PLUCKY LADY ASTOR.

## Exciting Adventure at Plymouth

Viscountess Astor, M. P., relates a remarkable experience which befell her recently.

She was accosted (says a Press Association Plymouth telegram) in the entrance hall of her Plymouth residence by a man, whose demeanour and language were extremely violent. With great vehemence he declared that he had served two terms of imprisonment and would return to prison in a few days on her account.

"Are you threatening to kill me?" Lady Astor asked him, and he replied "yes."

Realising that any display of fear on her part might be followed by an attack upon her, Lady Astor temporised with him, and eventually he left the house, but refused to give his name and address.

Determined to get the information, Lady Astor followed him, and when he observed her movements the man started to run. She did likewise, and followed him into some stables, where again she demanded to know his identity.

She said she felt that if he wanted to kill her he could easily do so, as there was no one about to render assistance.

Again her courage dismayed the man, for he took to his heels once more and ran into a public-house and out through the back, Lady Astor in close pursuit.

Within a short distance the man was secured. Lady Astor, however, expressed the wish that no legal proceedings should be taken against him.

RUSSO-NORWEGIAN AGREEMENT. M. Meyer Brunn, Norwegian Minister of Commerce, states that the Russo-British trade agreement will remove the obstacles to an eventual Russo-Norwegian agreement.

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## Business Men's Support of Ter Meulen Bond Scheme.

A representative meeting of Manchester merchants, exporters and manufacturers, so large that it overflowed the largest assembly room in the Town Hall, accorded its approval to the Ter Meulen Bond Scheme last month.

Sir Drummond Fraser, who has been appointed by the League of Nations Union as international organiser of the new movement, explained that under the scheme the Government of a needy country anxious to foster trade would go to the will, not may, be responsible for a

League of Nations, as an individual would to a bank, guarantee of 85 per cent. of the amount involved.

Credit associations would also be formed, the effect of which would be to keep bonds from being needlessly thrown on the market. The effect of this would be to mobilise exchange.

With the co-operation of business men and the public, concluded Sir Drummond, "I am confident we shall make at least a beginning with the work of reconstruction that lies before European countries. The scheme will secure a revolving movement of exports and imports, growing continuously in velocity, and speeded up as time goes on by its own momentum.

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Marriage.

NEWCOMB—CRAIG.—On the 27th of April, at St. John's Cathedral, by the Revd. J. T. Holman, M.A., Dudley De Burgh, younger son of the late Revd. H. Newcomb, to Dorothy Grace Hamilton, only child of the late Cyril Hamilton Craig, of Edinburgh.

**The Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 1921.

THE DEPRESSION PERIOD.

When Reuter told us the other day that "ships were being given away with a pound of tea" he sacrificed accuracy for an apt metaphor. But indications are not wanting to prove that the depression which the shipping and shipbuilding industries are now suffering is one of the most serious that has ever had to be faced. Shippers in Hongkong know well enough the scarcity of freight there is offering and the latest report down from Shanghai tells us that a number of steamers have already been taken off the Pacific run and that others will shortly have to drop out. Reports from the Home go to show that steamers are working at a loss and that thousands of tons of shipping are lying idle.

It is just as well to remember that the shipping industry is scarcely to blame for this state of affairs. At the conclusion of the war every shipyard was inundated with orders and there was a trade boom which justified the close concentration on shipping output that marked the early days of peace. There was not enough shipping and the cry was for more and more. And then, unexpectedly, came the slump of last autumn. Trade depression was soon common to the whole world and the present position was made inevitable. One of the leading shippers at Home has put the present state of affairs very truly when he said at his company's meeting the other day:—"It is no use pretending that, at the moment, there is not more tonnage available than the world needs. Were it otherwise, the freight market would not be as it is. But the conclusion I draw is that the shipping industry has not by its own action brought the evil day upon itself. It is world trade which has fallen below the normal, and shipping for the time being has a surplus, not because it has positively overstocked, but because it is relatively in excess through the stagnation of other industries. In the meantime, shipbuilding has been pulled up with a jerk; the increase, if any, will be negligible for some time. I may be wrong, but the comfort I find from the present position, as a shipowner, is that for a rational prosperity in our business we have only to wait for a return to normal in other trades and that we are not lying derelict waiting for an unnatural boom. As soon as world conditions become more stable, shipping will need no nursing and will be able to take care of itself."

Labour troubles, the still rising costs of operation and the insecurity of the international situation (a factor that is hampering trade more than most people are prone to realise) combine to explain the stagnation in shipping and industrial circles. The world is neither overstocked with goods, nor with ships; the insecurities and distrusts of the times account for the sluggish move of things. The coal strike at Home, the locking up of financial resources by those who have the control of them, the general spirit of unsettlement and all those other factors so well-known of, more than explain the depression of the day. The essential is to get back to the days of trust and content enjoyed before the war. And we shall never get far unless we are prepared to give up something. In that there is a lesson for all of us.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Germany's "Maximum."

Berlin's Note to the United States outlining new proposals, with the statement that "these are the maximum Germany can offer," suggests that the measures taken by the Allies have brought the ex-enemy country to some sense of her responsibilities. It was impossible to establish any parity between the offers tendered by Dr. Simons in London last month and the Allies' claim of 11,500 millions sterling. This time Germany offers to accept liability up to two hundred billion gold marks (say 10,000 millions sterling). At least such is the impression that a first reading gives. The proposal is qualified by the words "adapted to her capacity for production" up to the sum named, the capacity to be determined by an International Commission of Experts. This may mean that Germany is prepared annually to pay a sum to be settled from time to time by the Commission until the total reaches £10,000,000,000; or that she will make such payments for a fixed number of years, provided that they do not exceed the total named, and presumably signifying that her liability is then to end, whether the total has been reached or not. The alternative in the proposals of a capitalised sum of fifty billion gold marks (say 2,500 millions sterling) rather suggests that Berlin has a fixed period in view if the long-term method is adopted this being taken as an approximate basis for calculating the present value. But how could Germany raise this amount at present? By an international loan, the Note opines. Is it a question whether the lenders would care for the investment. Germany also puts into official form her suggestion for settling part of the reparations claim by taking over the Allied debts to the United States. This proposal, probably acceptable to the Allies if there are no prejudicial conditions, is open to a similar question, to which the Washington Administration will supply the answer after consulting with the associated Powers. Any how, if Germany is sincere in her new offer, the solution of a huge problem is brought nearer. A message to hand this morning intimates that the new offer is unsatisfactory to France, and further developments will be awaited with unusual interest.

The Retiring Speaker.

A fine specimen of the polished country gentleman in the person of the Right Hon. James W. Lowther has just relinquished the Speakership of the House of Commons after holding that distinguished office since 1905, previously to which, as Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, he had been Deputy Speaker for ten years. The retiring Speaker's capacity has been well tested, for with the Parliament Act (by which the powers of the Upper Chamber were greatly reduced), the Irish question, fiscal reform, and huge industrial disputes, as well as the war period, feeling often ran high during his tenure of office. Combining broad sympathies with unobtrusive dignity, he won the esteem of all shades of opinion. A few years ago a presentation was made to Mr. Lowther at the House, the late Nationalist leader, Mr. Redmond, and the Labour spokesman vying with the representatives of the old parties in their tributes to his ability and impartiality. Mr. Lowther, who is only now in his sixty-sixth year, does not believe in the office remaining in the same hands for an abnormal period. As it is he has presided over the Commons for a much longer period than any other holder during the latter history of Parliament. The vote of thanks which the Commons accorded with acclamation to their retiring head was accompanied by a request that his Majesty would bestow a signal mark of favour upon Mr. Lowther. Presumably this connotes a peerage, which would take the ex-Speaker to the same Chamber as his kinsman, the Earl of Lonsdale, though that celebrated sportsman is a more familiar figure at the National Sporting Club than at Westminster.

The Trans-Siberian Route.

As one result of the Anglo-Russian trade agreement there is a prospect of again receiving Home mails overland. Here in the Colony we are not affected to the same extent as those located in Northern China, for while the distance by sea to here is shorter than to the ports higher up the land journey is longer. At the

DAY BY DAY.

THE FOOLISH AND THE DEAD ALONE NEVER CHANGE THEIR OPINION.—Lowell.

The French cruiser Montcalm came into harbour this afternoon and exchanged salutes with this port.

There were four cases of small box notified yesterday, two of the sufferers being Indians and two Chinese. Two Chinese died from the disease.

Two men waylaid and attacked a Chinese at the No. 4 Railway Bridge at Kowloon yesterday. They relieved him of a sum of \$3 and made their escape.

Our military readers will be pleased to learn that their popular Church of England chaplain, the Rev. M. W. Shewell, M.A., has been promoted Chaplain to the Forces Fourth Class, with effect from the 1st of January last.

The service at which Mr. J. M. Hickson was going to give a short address in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow afternoon has had to be postponed until Monday afternoon at 5.15 owing to Mr. Hickson not being able to arrive here from Canton in time.—Advt.

A successful whist drive was held last evening in the Garrison Sergeants' Mess. The fortunate players were as follows:—Ladies, 1st, Mrs. Miles (175); 2nd, Mrs. Wilson (173); 3rd, Miss Conroy (170); highest score in any one half, Mrs. Hill (91). Gents, 1st, Sgt. Mijlar, R.G.A. (179); 2nd, R.Q.M.S. Miller, Wilts R. (177); 3rd, S. Sgt. Smith, R.E. (174); highest score in any one half, Sgt. Ravenscroft, R.M.L.I. (99). S.Q.M.S. Pryer capably fulfilled the duties of M.C.

Alleged to have been concerned with his brother in a case of larceny by bailee, occurring on the 22nd January last, when, as fokis of a goldsmith's shop at 284, Queen's Road Central, they absconded with jewellery of the value of \$267, entrusted by a customer to their care for conversion into other kinds of jewellery, a Chinese, who was arrested on Monday, was brought up before the Magistrate this morning and charged. A remand was given in consequence of an application from Mr. Farebrother Mason, who appeared for the prosecution.

Of the many fine pictures shown at the Coronet the "Money Changers," screened for the first time yesterday, easily proves its claim to being one of the best. The story centres round the efforts of a newspaper reporter to break through a gang of drug smugglers and white slave traffickers, whose tentacles stretch from the highest pinnacle in society to the most obscure corner of the criminal underworld. As with the case of a play of this theme, wide possibilities were provided for many tense passages, of which the many accomplished artistes of the cast availed themselves in some splendid acting. "The Money Changers" is assured of a successful run during the course of the next few days.

THIEVING COOLIES.

Excitement on Board  
Shinyo Maru.

Four coolies were charged this morning at the Marine Court before Lt. Conway Hake, R.N.R., Marine Magistrate, with being on board the Shinyo Maru yesterday without permission.

Sub. Inspector Spear said that on passing the Shinyo Maru police whistles were heard and the four defendants were seen running down the gangway. A passenger on board had complained that he had lost \$175. The defendants were searched and \$175 was found in their possession. They had no permission to be on board.

They were each sentenced to two months' hard labour.

same time any means of transport that shortens the period of communication with Europe is welcome, and, taking a wider view, will be still more welcome to our friends in those parts of the Far East which by geographical situation stand to benefit more. In the early days, the dislocation of the Russian railway service is not likely to allow of more than a very limited advantage, but the authorities are stated to be exerting themselves to restore the service as far as possible.

THE FORGERY CASE.

Defendant Discharged.

In the Supreme Court this morning his Lordship, Mr. Justice H. H. J. Gompertz, the Acting Chief Justice, addressed the jury in the case in which Sham Li Sang, of the Kowloon stores, was charged with uttering a forged receipt for \$5,000.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin with Mr. Crew defended and Mr. Dyer Ball with Mr. Blake prosecuted on behalf of the Crown.

His Lordship reminded that jury that the evidence had lasted for three days and was somewhat complicated. In starting this case there was one big fact. There was no necessity to consider the law. If they thought that the prisoner filled up personally a blank form with the word "Receipt" they must then find him guilty on all three counts. If on the other hand, they were not satisfied and the Crown had not brought home the charge to the prisoner they must acquit him. If they thought there was reasonable doubt they must acquit the prisoner. The burden of proof was on the Crown.

The burden of proof was also on Mr. Van Gennep. After the money was paid and the writ issued, the prisoner went to his solicitors and instructed them to sue the Holland Pacific Trading Company for the \$5,000 paid. If the prisoner had gone on with that civil suit the burden of proof was on him to prove that he gave \$5,000. The minute Mr. Van Gennep heard of this case he went over and asked to see the paper. If the money was not paid then the receipt was not genuine. The prosecution said that the receipt was never given and the money never paid. Shortly, the case for the prosecution was that this \$5,000 could not have been paid because it cannot be traced in any accounts kept by the complainant. He had rendered an account and produced his bank books, and the jury must remember that this case did not arise until quite recently, whereas the money was paid over on September 21st. Therefore, if Mr. Van Gennep was an honest business man the jury would expect him to pay it in some account. If he were a dishonest man he would keep it and not pay it in. If he is dishonest now he must have been dishonest before. If the complainant did not pay in the money after he received it, he must be dishonest. That was as far as the bank books were concerned. The second point was that when the complainant received the claim for \$5,000 he was not in financial straits. He admitted that he had overdrafts but his bank accounts were fully covered by gold security. The jury must take it on the evidence that at the time when the complainant said he did not receive the money and would prosecute the prisoner he was not driven to it by pecuniary circumstances. Then there was another point which arose on the paper. The complainant had said that he got his typewriter supplies from Ramsay and that he never ordered purple ribbons, although this paper was typed purple. He also said that he never had any paper of that shape and size; besides there were several mistakes in printing. Then as regards the gum, the gum made it appear as though the paper had come out of the pad.

The complainant explained that the signature was put on the paper after a discussion about Macao business. He was in a hurry and being in a hurry he gave the prisoner a certain number of blank forms, some filled in and some only signed. Mr. Bainbridge stated that he happened to go into the office and saw the complainant signing blank forms and shortly after the complainant came out with a number of forms in his hands. There was one point which was made very strongly against the complainant. It was a very important point and counsel on either side, in bringing anything forward, made them favourable to their own case. Mr. Van Gennep pointed out that although he was plainly a prosecutor his accounts were unsatisfactory. He was fairly replied to by Mr. Dyer Ball that the complainant was not speaking his own native language, and although he might know a language well he might find some difficulty in expressing himself. He was a merchant and a member of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce and if the prisoner's

STABBING AFFRAY.

Sequel to Card Party.

The stabbing affray occurring recently in Third Street, in consequence of a gambling dispute, had its sequel at the Police Court this morning, when the complainant, who had recovered from the numerous wounds he sustained in the attack, gave evidence against one of his assailants.

On the 19th instant, it was adduced in evidence given by the complainant, four men met in No. 270 Third Street for a card-party, and complainant, who had been losing on previous occasions, added to the amount of his debts in the course of the game. There were demands made on him for an immediate payment of these debts, and in exasperation he complied, but was so uncourteous as to throw the money on the floor instead of handing it in the ordinary way to the others. Over this incident, there were a few uncomplimentary remarks made. In the result, the two other men and the defendant retired to a back cubicle, leaving the complainant to enjoy a solitary smoke with his long pipe in the sitting room. Meanwhile a secret conference took place in the back room, its purport being made clear a minute later when the three men silently crept back to the sitting room, and before the complainant could realise his danger, his arms were pinned to his sides, whilst a dagger held in the hand of the defendant, was used on him. The assailants then bolted, with the complainant at their heels, but from loss of blood, he fainted away at a critical moment in the chase. The Police subsequently arrested the defendant, and he was identified as the ringleader of the attack.

Sentence of six months' hard labour and four hours' stocks was inflicted by Mr. Orme at the conclusion of the evidence.

story was accurate, the complainant had committed perjury, and that should make him nervous. The jury should consider all that: It was put to the complainant that it was unbusinesslike to give prisoner blank forms signed, and also if the prisoner were dishonest he could have obtained money without forgoing the receipt, by selling goods to some one in Macao who did not exist, and he could have done this with a greater sense of safety. If the jury were not satisfied on the evidence, they had a duty to discharge prisoner.

After an absence of about twenty minutes the jury brought in a verdict of "Not Guilty" by 6 to 7.

The prisoner was discharged.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

Interesting Figures for 1920.

The annual report of the Superintendent of Imports and Exports (Mr. N. L. Smith) was laid on the table of the Legislative Council this afternoon and in it is stated that the net revenue collected from Duties and Licensed Warehouses during 1920 was \$779,795 as compared with \$739,786 for 1919. An analysis shows that duties on European liquors produced \$241,544, Chinese liquors \$530,928, Warehouse Fees \$6,729 and Warehouse Overtime Fees \$593.

The revenue from the Opium Monopoly during 1920 was \$4,317,970 as compared with \$6,803,034 for 1919. The figure for 1918 was almost exactly double that for 1920. The price of \$14.50 per tael was maintained throughout the year.

The number of seizures of illicit opium shows slight increase over 1919, as does also that of convictions obtained. The total amount of prepared opium seized was nearly three times as great as in 1919.

The net revenue collected under the Tobacco Ordinance was \$631,877.66 as compared with \$618,905.55 for 1919, an increase of \$12,972.11. Tobacco duties remained the same.

The number of permits, etc., issued during the year under the provisions of the Importation and Exportation Ordinance of 1915 was 422,829 and give some indication of the amount of labour involved in the collection of accurate Trade Statistics where no Customs House machinery is in existence. The figures show on the whole a slight increase over 1919. The working of the Ordinance in question—in its origin purely a war measure—has been modified so as to cause the least possible inconvenience and delay to shippers and importers.

The total trade (excluding Treasure) for 1920 amounted to £12,302,539 as compared with £194,594,642 for 1919. Of this Imports were valued at £103,932,602 (as against £90,651,708 for 1919), and Exports at £108,369,937 (as against £103,942,934 for 1919). The Imports of Treasure for the year totalled £31,754,334, including £18,994,688 of gold and £12,658,538 of silver. The Exports of Treasure for the year were £45,292,645 including £31,956,844 of gold and £12,870,841 of silver.

The net revenue collected by the Department during the year was \$5,729,644.41 a decrease of \$2,434,656.33 as compared with 1919. The decrease in opium sales specified above accounts for all of this reduction.

The actual expenditure of the Department for the year was \$502,114.66 as against \$809,627.24 for 1919 showing a decrease of \$307,512.58.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Janet thinks the pictures are an improvement if only they were more in keeping w/ the reading matter. That's a woman's way of looking at the thing only. Of course, she's not expected to know that sometimes the reading matter's only an excuse for the picture. So long as they hang together somehow, I don't see any reason for folks to start getting excited and begin running round to the office to demand their 10 cents back.

Even when the reading's in order ye canna' always trust to the picture itself. It has been known for lettering to get mixed up before now, w/ the result that a woman w/ a full set of store teeth holding up to public view a couple mangy-looking pups has been recorded as being some actress w/ her darling babies. When it comes to a Court case that in itself is bad enough, though corn in Egypt for the lawyers, but let me tell ye it's an over-ripe banana to a salted peanut that the evidence will show that she's never been married at all. Of course, mind ye, that doesn't mean to say that—er, that actresses—don't like dogs. No, far from it and dirty ones at that if all we read of in the Divorce Courts is true.

Then apart from the reading, the pictures themselves are often misleading. The picture of a prohibitionist would sometimes lead one to think that he'd kept up his early acquaintance w/ the bottle right on through life, while those of vegetarians at times only need the addition

Then again lots of our book illustrations look as if the publishers had bought job lot of sketches, mixed them up w/ the manuscript and told the printer to carry on. It's a blessing that most of them are in black and white anyway and that as a general rule authors are no' strong on monstrosities by way of heroes and heroines. That being so most of the pictures fit in somehow. It would be bit awkward though if we were to get the hairy blond hero chasing butterflies on the lawn of the old manor when just a chapter ago he'd got his left femur splintered in Flanders. Of course I know there are such things as artificial limbs but this sort o' thing is very apt to make the thoughtful reader more thoughtful still. The lassies in Janet's novels all have regular features and shapely limbs so it's easy money for the artist, provided, of course, he sticks to the fashions and keeps the skirt well below the Plimsole line.

Taking it all through, we mostly get the pictures we deserve, though we may not be so lucky as to get those we expect.

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## TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

It will be curious to see whether the new leader of the Unionist party in the House of Commons will now achieve at last the distinction of becoming "Mr. Chamberlain." If he succeeds in shedding the "Austen" which is the implied tribute to his father's greater fame it will be one sign of his success in his new position. In some degree, no doubt, he has only himself to blame for the way the world has stuck to the "Austen" for no politician has ever modelled himself outwardly on a greater father to quite the same extent. Where there is a natural difference between the two it is rather to the son's disadvantage. There was something bracing in the "sharpness" of Joseph Chamberlain's appearance. A sense of humour was not strongly inherent in "Joe"; it is curiously lacking in Austen. One of the father's great assets was his voice, an organ remarkably well adapted to his special powers; his son has not inherited that advantage, for his voice is rather rough, without any attraction of modulation. Father and son are really as little alike as were the two Pitts, but Mr. Austen Chamberlain has yet to show, as the younger Pitt showed, that greatness may take different forms even in men of the same blood.

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## LAWN TENNIS.

## New Doubles Champions.

A huge gathering of spectators assembled on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground last evening to witness the match in the challenge round of the Gents' Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship of the Colony, M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo (holders) meeting R. Hancock and H. Hancock (challengers). The result was a win for the latter pair by three sets to one and 22 games to 16, the set scores reading 6-2, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3. Mr. H. A. Nisbet was the umpire. It was generally anticipated that the Hancocks would win, by reason of the splendid showing they have made in the tournaments, both being experienced players and their combination being altogether excellent. However, in this match they did not play anything like so well as in their other encounters, and, so far as brilliant tennis goes, the contest was rather disappointing. The first two sets were especially poor, there being few sustained rallies, the ball seldom crossing the net more than twice. The two final sets saw all four men in better form, though it seemed that all of them were conscious of the importance of the tie, with the result that they were over-careful in their play. On the run of play, the Hancocks deserved their win, though they had by no manner of means a walk-over. H. Hancock was the outstanding man of the four, and he has seldom showed up better in the finer points of the game. He kept the ball wonderfully low and placed with much discretion, occasionally also getting in some useful smashes. His brother did not appear to be able to settle down at all. It was only now and then that he gave glimpses of his true form, whilst more often than not he failed to get in his first service. M. W. Lo, though none too consistent, did some brilliant things. He plays with his head, and his tangent shots across the court won his side many points, whilst at the net he did some excellent work. His partner gave a steady all-round display, making many good recoveries. The Hancocks, however, won by better generalship and more aggressive tactics than their opponents.

M. K. Lo began serving in the opening set with a "double," but this was the only point lost in the first game, which went to the Lo's. One-all was later called and in the third game the Chinese pair did some good volleying, but they lost the game. Deuce was called in the fourth game, which eventually went to the English pair through a lucky shot by H. Hancock at the net. The other couple took the succeeding game, and Hancocks were now leading 3-2. The Lo brothers did not secure any further games, and thus the Hancocks won the set at 6-2.

Indifferent play marked the early stages of the second set, the first game in which went to the Hancocks. In the next game, R. Hancock got in one of his characteristic smashes, but he was outplaced immediately after, and the Lo's took the game. M. W. Lo was serving well in the third game, and in the fourth the English pair only got one point, Lo's now leading 3-1. The Chinese couple lost the next game, but they rallied and at the seventh led by 5-2. Hancocks won another, but they could not stay defeat and lost the set at 3-6.

The third set opened in more promising style, the first game producing a good rally, whilst R. Hancock was playing with more confidence at the net. The first game went to the English pair, and at the end of the fourth the score was 2 all. Hancocks, however, again got away and led at 4-2 and again later at 5-3. They lost the next, but with M. K. Lo serving in the tenth game, 15-40 was called, the opposing pair only wanting a point to win the set. However, M. W. Lo was playing cleverly at the net and 5-all was called. Then the Hancocks took a love game and, also winning the next, they got the set at 7-5.

In the final set, the Hancocks got the first game, but the next went to the other pair, M. K. Lo making some fine recoveries and his brother eventually scoring the winning point with a splendid smash. At the third game, the Hancocks led 2-1, and after several deuces they also got the next, as well as the fifth. The sixth went to the Lo's, but by good placing R. Hancock won the next, thus making the score 5-2 for the English pair. It looked as though

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Miss Jeannette Sherwin, who has delighted Hongkong audiences throughout the entire Waring season, played the part of Ann with a freshness and vivacity that instantly made for success and she was the recipient of very hearty compliments. Mr. Charles Quartermaine, as the novelist, was the other principal on whom a great deal rested and in the hands of so accomplished an actor, the rôle was filled to perfection. Mention should also be made of Mr. Frank Vosper, as the Dean of Milchester, Miss Alys Ross, as Mrs. Hargreaves, Miss May Hallett as Evangeline and Mr. James Jolley as "Billy," all of whom ably co-operated to make the closing play one of the most enjoyed of the series.

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The above theatre is running until Friday night a fine comedy drama entitled "The Scarlet Shadow." The heroine, Elena Evans, is a young girl reared under the close scrutiny of her Aunt Alvira. The latter chances upon the girl one day indulging in a harmless flirtation with a youth, over one of the garden walls. She reprimands Elena severely, but the latter goes out one evening to a picture show with her admirer, Van Presby. The aunt later catches the young man in the house and insists that he marry the girl, taking the quixotic attitude that her honour has been compromised. Van's uncle, Harvey Presby, prevents this hurried match, and takes the girl to the home of Van's mother, Edith Presby. Mrs. Presby receives the girl and packs Van off to college. Later she finds that Uncle Harvey has developed a strong interest in the girl and lays plans to marry her off to a portly man named Joseph Fleming, as she herself is in love with uncle Harvey. On the evening of the proposed wedding, Elena suddenly rebels and refuses to marry Fleming. Van has returned from college and tries to take advantage of the girl, but uncle Harvey comes to the rescue and marries her himself.

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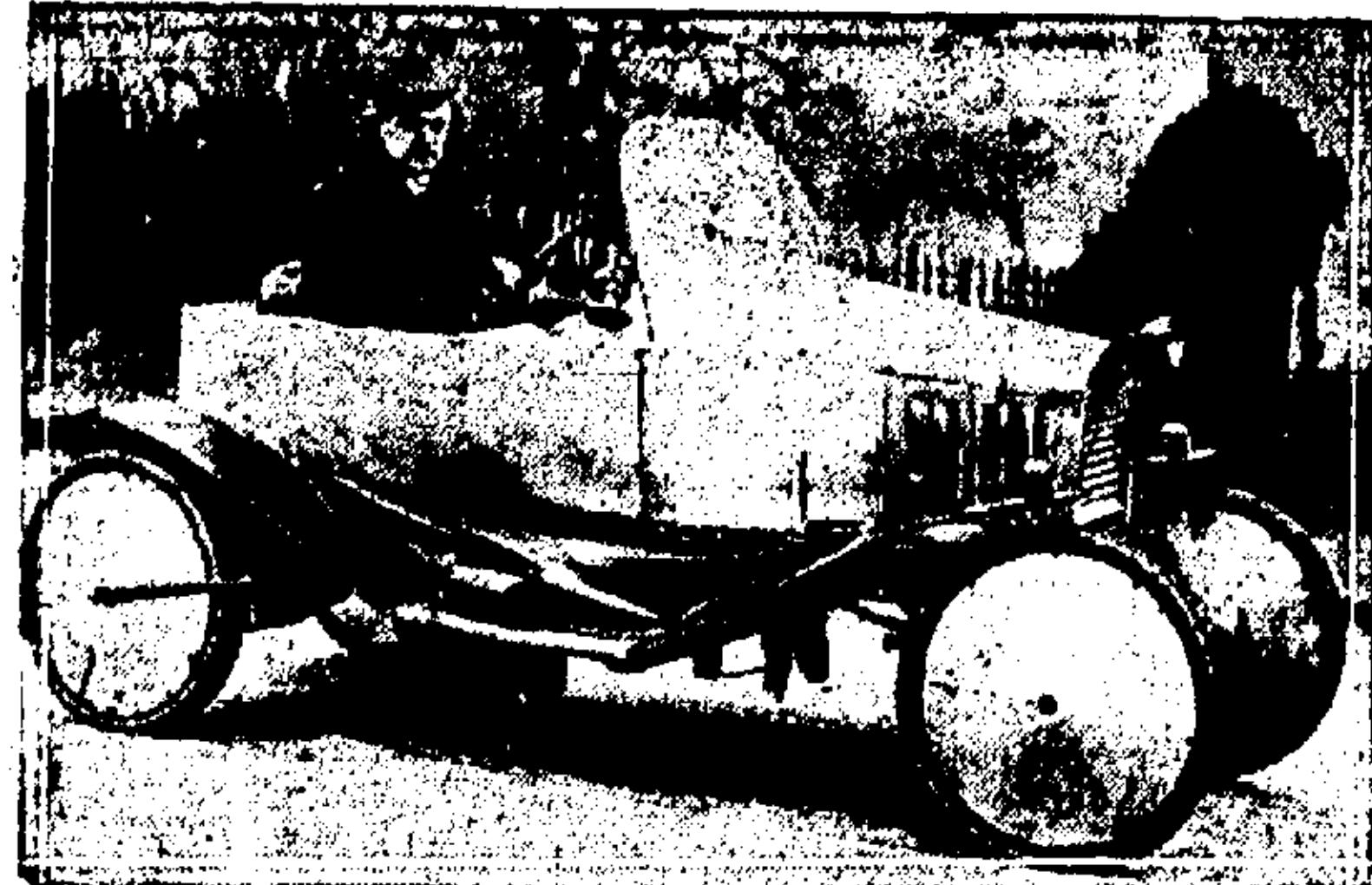
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# CAMERA NEWS



The Rev. W. H. Peacey, B.A., Lth., Chaplain of Barnwood Asylum, Gloucester, England, made his own motor car. He has attained a speed of 35 miles an hour and can do 80 and 90 miles per gallon of petrol. The wheels are ordinary cycle wheels strengthened with motorcycle spokes. The body is made of cane covered with aluminum.



Statue of Gen. Simon Bolivar, the liberator of Venezuela, presented by the Venezuelan Government to the city of New York to replace the one now standing on Bolivar Hill.



Julia Marlowe, famous co-star in Shakespearean repertoire with her husband, E. H. Sothern, has received the honorary degree of doctor of law from the University of Washington.



Here are some of the American polo ponies which are to compete in the international matches in England in June.



In the new Germany women are allowed to vote. The above picture, taken in Berlin, shows a woman registering at one of the election booths.



Pigmy hippopotamus from Liberia, with month-old baby, in Zoological Gardens, London.

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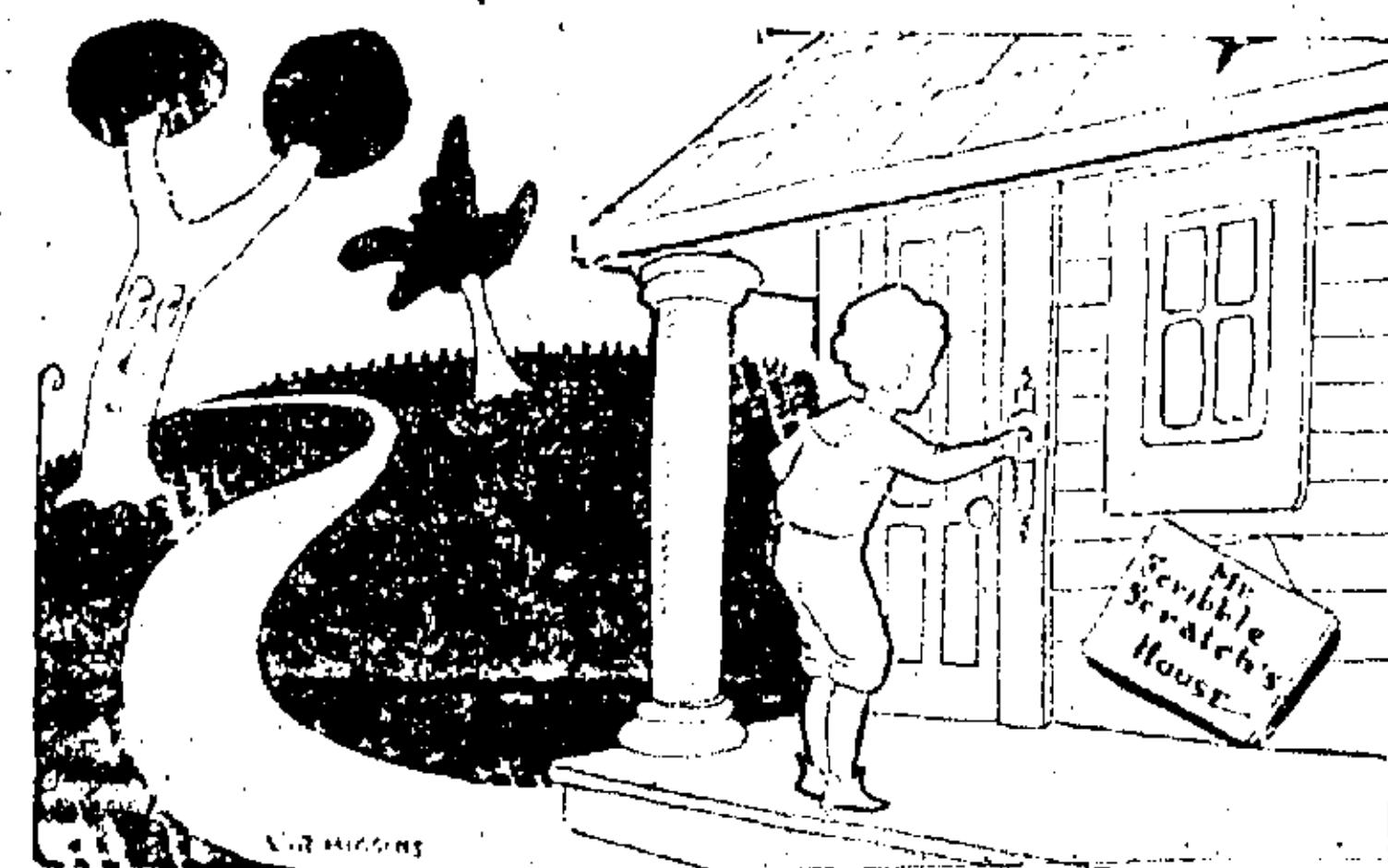
## A MYSTERY.

Nick went to Mr. Scribble Scratch's house by the bittersweet clump and rang the bell. He wished to find out what had kept the fairy schoolmaster home from school that day, because it was the first time since the Grove School had started that he had stayed away.

Nancy was being substitute in the meantime and the Magical Mushroom with his wise old head, was helping her, but even so "when the cat's away, the mice will play." Only in this case the mice weren't playing. They were keeping a sharp eye on Cobble Coon, Wasp Weasel, Orfe Owl and so on. And what was more, the latter were returning the compliment.

"Tap, tap, tap," went Nick on the front door of the fairyman's house. But no one came to let him in.

Then he tapped again, this time quite loudly, but still there



"Tap, tap, tap," went Nick on the front door of the fairyman's house.

wasn't a sign. "Perhaps he's sick," thought the little boy, although he had heard that fairies never get sick at all. But anyway he called out loudly, and the bedroom window being open, he was sure. Scribble Scratch would have heard and answered, had he been there. But there wasn't a sound. Only the echo of his own voice which the rocks and trees sent back.

Nick wondered what he'd better do next. Could it be the school master had torn two leaves off his calendar instead of one, and thought that this was Saturday? Perhaps he'd gone visiting his relatives or had taken a trip back to the Fairy Queen's Palace to report about things.

He went to the back door next and looked around. The milk bottle was taken in, so the fairyman couldn't be sick in bed. But there was something else—a mark—a footprint. Nick looked closely. "I do believe," said he, "that it's Wasp Weasel's."

(To be continued to-morrow.)

## PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Tiabwong	J. C. J. L.	Java	Quarry Bay
Chungchow	B. & S.	Bangkok	C 15
Montague	Admiral Line	Manila	B 22
Victoria	Wing On	Manila	B 49
Kinchow	B. & S.	Bangkok	C 15
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## Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Taiqua Maru	Y. K. K.	Amoy	27th April.
Hangchow	B. & S.	Shanghai	
Hilhong	Douglas	Santow	
Dihwara	P. & O.	Shanghai	
Malacea Maru	N. Y. K.	Kobe	
Trieste	Dodwell	Singapore	28th
Soochow	B. & S.	Shanghai	
Van Chou	B. & S.	Santow	
Atsuta Maru	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	
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Empress of Russia	C. P. O. S.	Vancouver	28th April
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Changshu	B. & S.	Australia	28th
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## Impending Arrivals.

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Wrenateche	Admiral Line	Shanghai	1st
Perseus	T. K. R.	Yokohama	1st
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Barber	Barber Line	New York	12th
Shizunada Maru	N. Y. K.	London	12th
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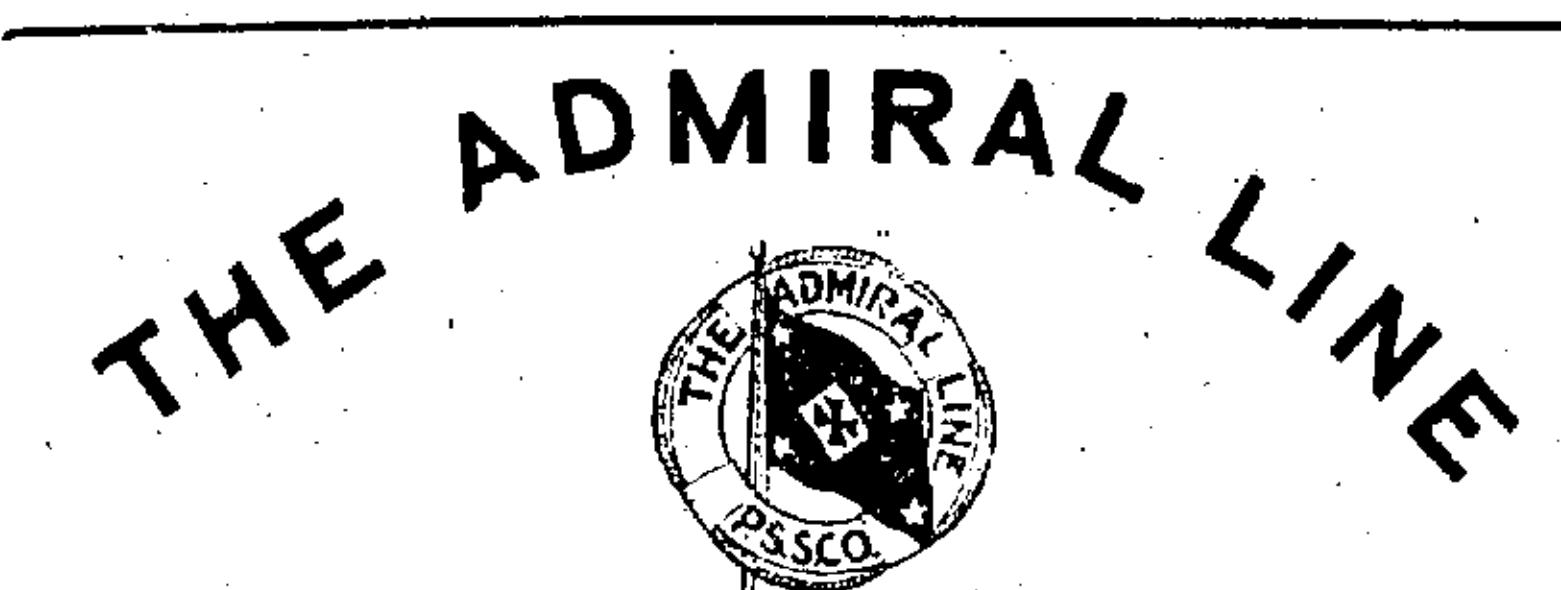
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A large and well-known manufacturer is of opinion that we are on the eve of a great world demand for galvanized corrugated sheets, states *Shipping and Engineering* (Shanghai). Many buildings in the United Kingdom must be sheeted without further delay, while tens of thousands of iron roofs and sheds all over the world are in a dilapidated condition. To-day's prices, he says, are pounds below actual cost of production and even should fuel, steel billets and labour fall still further, there is no possibility of galvanized iron prices remaining much longer at present low levels. Galvanizing spelter is becoming somewhat scarce and, with an improved demand from sheet makers, there will undoubtedly be a sharp advance in price. It is generally admitted that the downward movement in prices of galvanized sheets has been overdone, but it is to be hoped that the upward reaction will not be too great. There will probably be a concerted movement on the part of makers to try to steady prices. Consumers and merchants could prevent a runaway market by anticipating their requirements now. He is of opinion that merchants, who have adopted the "wait and see" policy, will wait too long, and then when the upward movement begins there will be the usual scramble to place orders and thus play into the maker's hands.

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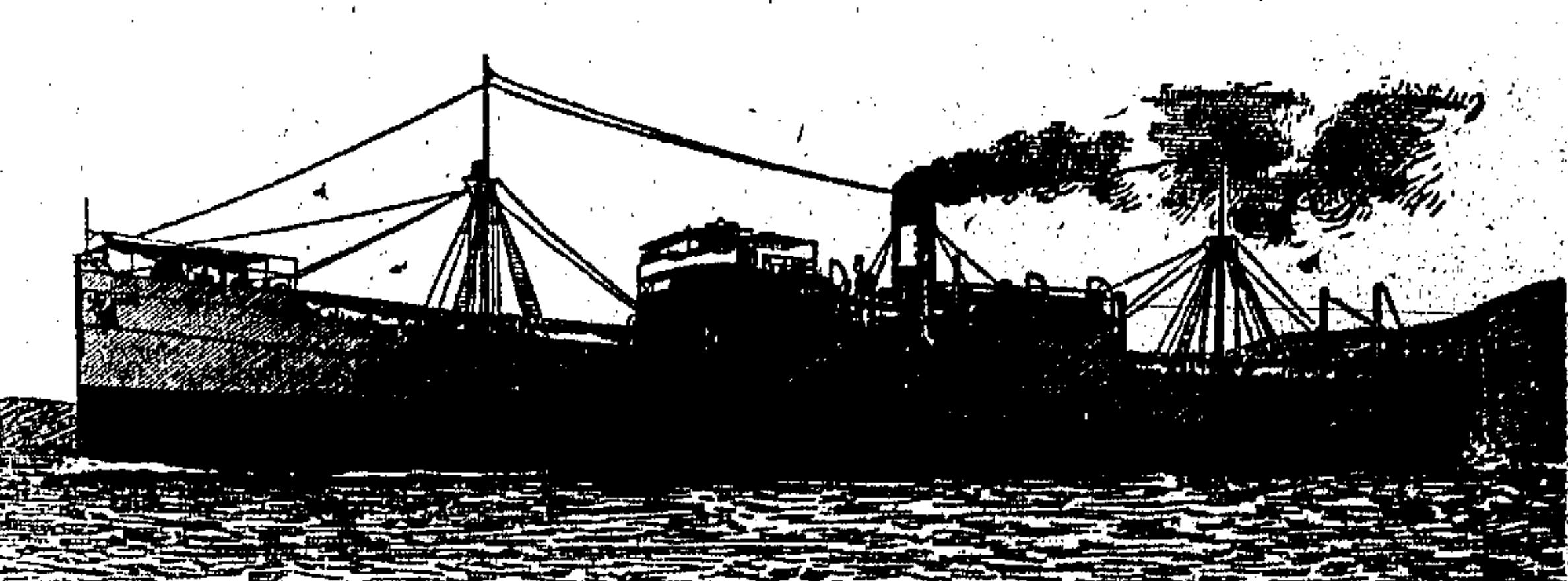
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TANGO MARU ..... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

ATSUTA MARU ..... Thursday, 28th April, at 11 a.m.

MALACCA MARU ..... Thursday, 28th April.

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SHANGHAI &amp; TSINGTAO ..... Chenan ..... 30th Apr. at 4 p.m.

SWATOW &amp; BANGKOK ..... Kanchow ..... 3rd Apr. at 10 a.m.

AMOY, SHAI &amp; PUOK ..... Sankang ..... 3rd Apr. at noon.

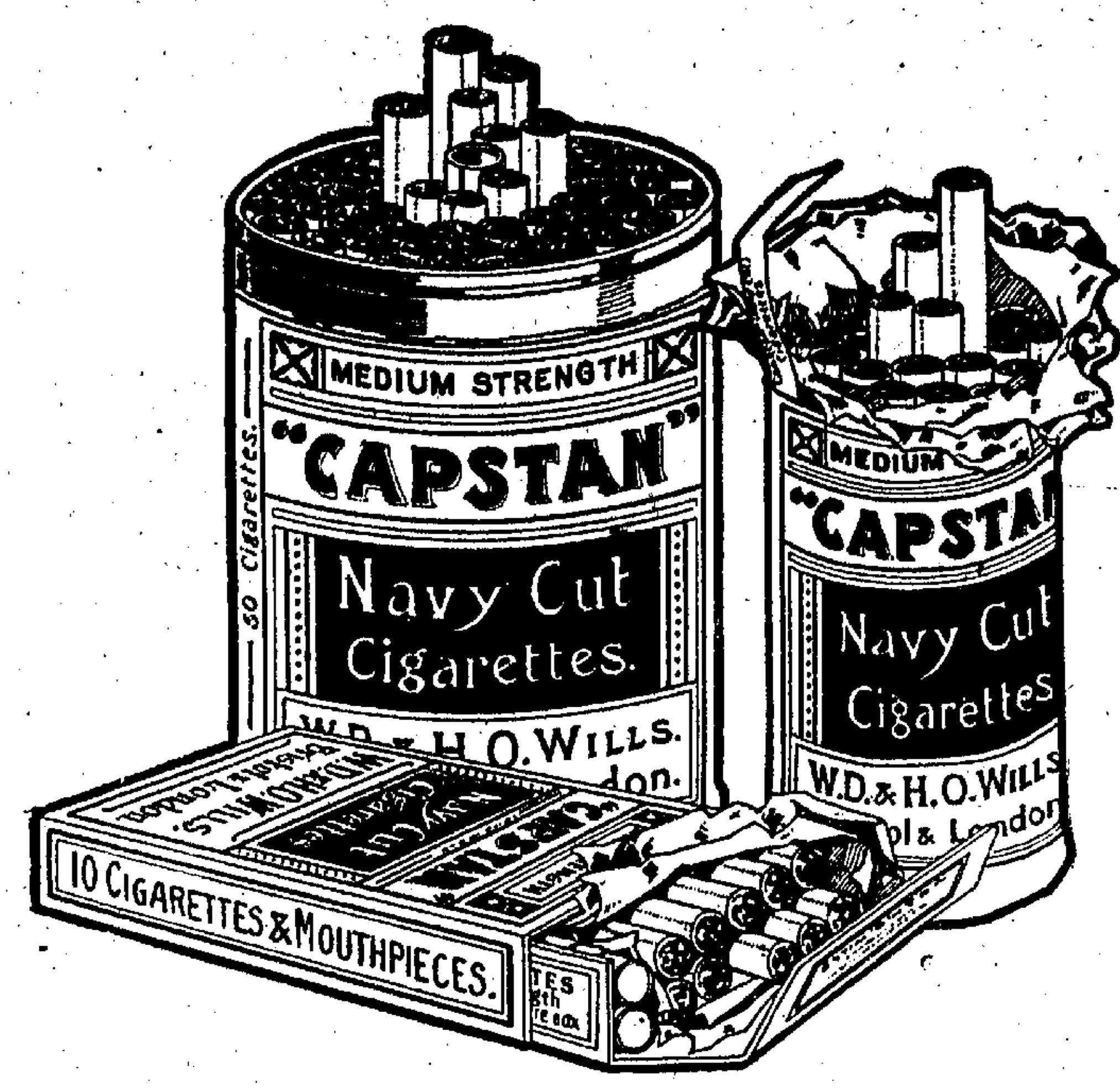
SHANGHAI ..... Sunning ..... 5th Apr. at noon.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

April 28d. 11h. 05m.—Pressure has decreased considerably at Vladivostock, increased considerably along the east coast of China and slightly to moderately elsewhere. A weak anticyclone is situated over N. China and a depression is moving eastward across the Sea of the Japan. The Tongking depression has filled up.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 2.18 inches. Total since January 1st, 8.02 inches, against an average of 11.14 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock. E. & S.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.

3 South coast of China between H. K. & Lamock. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H. K. & Hainan. The same as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H. K. Observatory, April 28, 1921.

## TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The ball is hoisted half mast at the 55th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the time ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z", on the storm signal mast.

Time signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8h. 56m. 0s. to 9h. 0m. 0s. p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of east Greenwich).

## METEOROLOGICAL.

## Miscellaneous.

Cements. sa. 1440

China Light old s. 124

Do. Light new n. 114

China Providents n. 114

Dairy Farms. n. 29

Barometer. 29.76 29.80 29.84

Temperature. 84 72 78

Electric H. K. s. 22

Electric Macao. n. 30

Hongkong Ropes b. 264

Hk. Tramways b. 1132

Peak Trams, old b. 910

Do. new b. 1

Steam Laundries. r. 734

Steel Foundries b. 8

Water-boats. n. 1634

Watsons. n. 8

Wm. Powells. b. ex. div. 18

Wisemans. b. 53

Hongkong, April 28, 1921.

Previous Day on date. at 2 p.m. at 8 a.m. at p.m.

High Water Hongkong. 29.76 29.80 29.84

Low Water Hongkong. 29.54 29.58 29.62

Wind Force. 4 1 2

Weather. 0 0m 0

Rain. 0.00 0.00 2.18

Highest open air Temperature on the 27th 84

Lowest open air Temperature on the 28th 71

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H. K. Observatory, April 28.

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TIME TABLE  
WEEK DAYS.

25th April to 1st May, 1921.

Day of week	High Water Hongkong	Low Water Hongkong	Wind Force	Weather	Rain	NIGHT CARS.	SATURDAYS.	SUNDAYS.
Mon. 25	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Tues. 26	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Wed. 27	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Thur. 28	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Fri. 29	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Sat. 30	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Sun. 1	29.76	29.80	4.0	0	0.00	8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Every 15 min.	11.30 p.m. to 12.00 midnight.	12.00 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.

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